

Hello Fellow Burbankers,

I am Sharon Springer, Mayor of Burbank, thank you for listening to today's update regarding the city's responses to Covid-19.

While we are making efforts to flatten the curve of Covid-19, the number of identified cases continues to climb. As of today, Thursday, April 9, there are 7,530 cases and 198 deaths in LA County. Within Burbank, we have 83 known cases.

For these reasons and more, today the City of Burbank issued two new Orders.

The **first Order** requires face coverings for all workers along with customers and visitors patronizing essential businesses. This first Order will begin at 12:01 a.m. on Friday, April 10th and remain in place until the termination of the Los Angeles County Public Health Safer at Home Order which is dated March 21, 2020, unless, THIS order is explicitly terminated or extended.

All people who work at businesses or perform services that are considered essential must wear face coverings over their noses and mouths while performing their work. These face coverings must be provided by employers.

Additionally, all customers and visitors of essential businesses must also wear face coverings over their noses and mouths. These face coverings should be fabric, such as scarves and bandanas, or single-use face coverings. At this time, the face coverings required by this order for workers, customers and visitors are not medical-grade masks or N95 respirators.

It is required that any reusable face covering be washed for health and safety reasons. Single-use face coverings must be properly discarded into trash receptacles.

An essential business owner may deny service to anyone not wearing a face covering.

This does not eliminate the social distancing requirements of remaining six feet apart.

The second Order will close all the City parks during this holiday weekend, both Saturday and Sunday. The order will be in place from 12:01 a.m. on Saturday, April 11, 2020 to sunrise on Monday, April 13, 2020. During this time it will be unlawful to enter or remain in any public park and a violation could result in a misdemeanor charge.

The Order does not prohibit any individual or family from engaging in outdoor activities such as walking or biking, so long as they practice social distancing. However, all private and public group events and gatherings are prohibited. This includes public gatherings, such as performances, parties, and worship services.

The City's Parks and Recreation Department encourages residents to seek other ways to safely celebrate the holiday such as holding an indoor egg hunt or one in your own yard, or dying eggs with the family. For a list of fun and creative holiday-related ideas, please visit the Burbank Parks and Recreation's Virtual Ways to PLAY MORE at:

www.burbankca.gov/virtualrec

The **Burbank Farmers Market** is suspended until May. We thank Providence Saint Joseph Foundation for their deep commitment to operating this market for as long as possible during a difficult time. The Burbank Farmers Market needs volunteers. If you would like to volunteer in the future, please call (818) 847-4673.

The Los Angeles County Department of Workforce Development, Aging and Community Services launched the **Critical Delivery Service Program**, which will deliver food and other vital necessities to older adults, dependent adults, and individuals with disabilities who are unable to leave their homes due to COVID-19. All items for this free delivery must be paid in advance through the store's or market's website.

This delivery service is free anywhere in Los Angeles County, 7 days a week. Scheduling can be done in advance (from 2 weeks up to 24 hours), on a one-time or reoccurring basis. In some situations, same day deliveries can be scheduled. Individuals can utilize this service up to 4 times per month.

To request free delivery services, call (888) 863-7411 (Monday-Friday from 8am-5pm) or email newfreedom@wdacs.lacounty.gov

The City of Burbank has a similar program. If you are a senior or disabled adult please contact **Burbank Project Hope**. They can pair you with a person who will help run errands, pick up groceries or just check on you. If you are interested in this program or would like to sign-up as a volunteer please call 818.238.5370 or email us at BVP@burbankca.gov

If you are out of work or own a business that needs assistance, please look at our **Covid-19 City Updates** page at Burbankca.gov for details on the Federal CARES act, and other subjects such as financial assistance, unemployment, small business loans and so much more.

The LA County Department of Health has **guidelines for virus testing**. If you have questions or want to find out if you're eligible for a test, please refer to covid19.lacounty.gov/testing

The Burbank Public Library has a large collection of **e-Resources** including online access to Tumblebooks - e-Books for kids, Mango Languages in 70 languages, and 500 free, accredited online courses through Universal Class.

You can use the Libby, or Hoopla app to get access to free downloadable e-Books and e-Audiobooks, or to stream TV, movies and music. The Library also offers online story time sessions Wednesday and Friday mornings at 10AM. Join live or watch later on Facebook or Instagram.

For adults, join our new book club, Burbank Reads, which will be held on Goodreads.com. Copies of the selected book will be available in e-Book format. Visit burbanklibrary.org to connect to these online opportunities.

If you have **general questions**, contact us at 818-238-5580 to speak with a live person between the hours of 9:00AM and 5:00PM, Monday thru Friday. Or, you can email us at Covid19@BurbankCA.gov.

On behalf of Vice-Mayor Bob Frutos and Councilmembers Jess Talamantes, Emily Gabel-Luddy and Tim Murphy, thank you for what you are doing to slow down the spread of the Coronavirus.

Thank you very much and we will get through this together.